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Re: NEWBURYPORT - Solid Wastes/COR

Crow Lane Landfill Spent Sulfa-Bind

Approval with Conditions

FMF No. 39545

Dear Attorney Nylen:

On December 29, 2006 you submitted a request to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Northeast Regional Office, Bureau of Waste Prevention, Solid Waste Management Section ("MassDEP") on behalf of your client, New Ventures Associates LLC ("New Ventures"), for approval to place spent Sulfa-Bind in the Crow Lane Landfill in Newburyport, Massachusetts. The request was submitted to MassDEP in accordance with paragraph 1.i. of the preliminary injunction entered in Suffolk Superior Court, Civil Action No. 06-0790 C, on November 1, 2006 (the "Order") for the Crow Lane Landfill. New Ventures utilizes Sulfa-Bind in the landfill gas pre-treatment at the landfill to remove hydrogen sulfide from the collected landfill gas prior to combustion of the landfill gas in the landfill flare at the site. The spent Sulfa-Bind is the residue from the pre-treatment system.

New Ventures previously submitted information to MassDEP from ADI International, Inc. ("ADI"), dated October 24, 2006, on the characteristics of the spent Sulfa-Bind. In addition, on December 6, 2006, MassDEP's contractor, Shaw Environmental, Inc. of Salem, New Hampshire ("Shaw"), collected two composite samples of spent Sulfa-Bind from the pre-treatment system at the Crow Lane Landfill for laboratory analysis. On December 21, 2006, Shaw submitted the results of the laboratory testing of those samples to MassDEP.

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Based on the a review of the information provided by ADI and Shaw, pursuant to paragraph 1.i. of the Order MassDEP approves the placement of spent Sulfa-Bind in the Crow Lane Landfill subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Only spent Sulfa-Bind generated by the landfill gas pre-treatment at the Crow Lane Landfill may be placed in the Crow Lane Landfill.
- 2. The spent Sulfa-Bind must be thoroughly mixed with soil at a ratio of 2 parts soil to 1 part spent Sulfa-Bind.
- 3. After placement in the landfill the mixed soil and spent Sulfa-Bind shall be covered with poly sheeting (not less than 5 mil in thickness), placed in such a manner as to facilitate the diversion of water around the mixed soil and spent Sulfa-Bind. Not less than 2 feet of soil shall then be carefully placed immediately above the poly sheeting in a manner that minimizes the potential for the disturbance and damage of the poly sheeting.
- 4. The spent Sulfa-Bind shall not be placed within (20) feet of the elevation of the water table at the landfill.

If you have any questions please contact me at (978) 694-3299.

Sincerely,

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